

WASHINGTON, DC— Representatives Joe Courtney (CT-2) and Rosa DeLauro (CT-3) today praised the announcement of the new Patient Valet Parking Service at the West Haven Veterans Association.

Beginning on January 17, 2012, VetPride Services will be providing valet parking services free of charge to all patients at the West Haven VA. This service will help the patients that visit the West Haven VA each day and alleviate the location's parking congestion. The service will be available weekdays (excluding federal holidays) from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Representatives DeLauro and Courtney [have previously called](#) for Janice Boss, Director of the VA Connecticut Health Care System, to implement valet services at the West Haven VA as a way to increase accessibility to health care services for veterans without the need for construction or additional land.

"I am very pleased that the VA has decided to move forward with valet services for the West Haven VA. This important service will help to ensure that our veterans, especially those who are elderly or disabled, have access to the health care they need and deserve," said Congresswoman DeLauro. "I believe that we have a moral obligation to those who have served our country, and these services will help to eliminate an unnecessary hardship in our veterans' everyday lives."

"Today's announcement is tremendous news for every Connecticut veteran who has ever been caught in the gridlock of West Haven VA's parking," said Congressman Courtney. "VetPride's new valet parking services will ensure that, for our veterans, a trip to the doctor never again turns into a day searching for parking. I am pleased that the VA was responsive to this problem when Congresswoman DeLauro and I relayed it to them last year. Our brave servicemen and women deserve the best care possible, and this new service will ensure that they get it at West Haven."

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